

## Las Vegas Metro Police K-9 Trials

Law enforcement K-9 teams from across the country, Canada and Mexico competed in the 2012 Las Vegas Metro Police K-9 trials. There were 65 teams that competed in the trials. The majority of the teams were from dedicated K-9 units (meaning they spend their entire shift either training or deploying their dogs). This competition was held in a large arena in front of a 4000+ crowd.

Our K-9 Nitro and his handler Officer Erika Smith took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Explosive competition. They scored 194 out of 200 points.

Officer Swensen and K-9 Hook scored 195 out of 200 points in the tactical obedience. Officer Knight and Joker scored a perfect score on the last half of their apprehension phase. Officer Walton and Jag found all the narcotic hides in the building. They found the first hide within 24 seconds. These are all excellent scores and are a testimonial for their hard work.

During the K9 trials, much was learned about the individual dogs, training, and handling capabilities. We certainly are proud of our K-9's and Officers.

K-9 Nitro



Officer Walton and K-9 Jag



Officer Swensen and K-9 Hook

